

United States District Court
Southern District of Indiana
Indianapolis Division

BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC., TIRES)	MDL DOCKET NO. 1373
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION)	IP 00-9373-C-B/S
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ACTIONS)	

ORDER RESCHEDULING HEARING

It is Hereby ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification is set for hearing on November 16, 2001, in Room 216, United States Courthouse, commencing at 9:30 a.m. Plaintiffs will be afforded up to two hours for presentation of argument and evidence in support of their motion, and defendants will be given up to two and one-half hours to present argument and evidence in opposition. Plaintiffs will then have up to one-half hour for rebuttal. Any remaining time will be devoted to follow-up as the Court deems advisable. The primary purpose for the hearing is to aid the Court in the resolution of any factual matters that bear on the propriety of class certification. The scope of the hearing will reflect the directives set out in Szabo v. Bridgeport Machines, Inc., 249 F.3d 672 (7th Cir. 2001).

On or before October 15, 2001 plaintiffs shall reformat their bench notebook of October 9, 2001 into separate categories of motions, briefs and evidence. Defendants shall have through and including October 25, 2001 within which to file materials responsive to the bench notebook

made by plaintiffs on October 9th. Plaintiffs shall in turn have through and including November 1, 2001 within which to file any rebuttal. The parties shall exchange any and all documents or demonstrative exhibits that they intend to use at the oral argument on Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification on or before November 5, 2001.

It is so ORDERED this 10th day of October 2001.

/s/ Sarah Evans Barker

SARAH EVANS BARKER, JUDGE
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